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NERVE BLOCK NEEDLE AND  
METHOD FOR USING THE SAME

**DECLARATION OF WALTER A. ZOHMANN**  
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I, Walter A. Zohmann, do hereby declare as follows:

1. I am the inventor of United States Patent Serial No. 6,558,353.
2. I am the named inventor of the above-identified patent application.
3. I declare that the invention disclosed, but not claimed in the 6,558,353 patent was derived from my work as an inventor and is thus not an invention "by another."

4. All statements herein made of my own knowledge are true and all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true. I acknowledge that willful false statements and the like are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both (18 USC 1001) and may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified application or any patent issuing thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

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